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AFTER READING THIS SUPER-SURPRISE-FILLED ISSUE, YOU WILL CLEARLY UNDERSTAND WHY FANS EVERYWHERE ARE CALLING THIS "THE MARVEL AGE OF COMICS!"

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THE FABULOUS FANTASTIC FOUR DISCOVER...
"THE MYSTERIOUS MOLECULE MAN!"
WHAT'S GOING ON, SUE?
REED BOUGHT THAT STRANGE METEOR FROM A FARMER WHOSE PROPERTY IT FELL ON! HE WANTS TO STUDY IT!
BEN, EVEN MY MOST SENSITIVE PROBING DEVICES CAN'T PENETRATE THE CORE OF THIS ROCK FROM OUTER SPACE!
PHOOEY! YOU'RE DOIN' IT THE HARD WAY, PAL! STEP ASIDE AND LET OL' BENJAMIN TAKE OVER!
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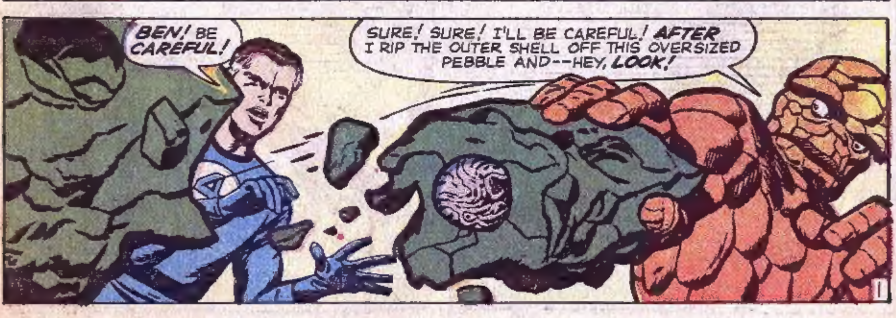
BEN! BE CAREFUL!
SURE! SURE! I'LL BE CAREFUL! AFTER I RIP THE OUTER SHELL OFF THIS OVERSIZED PEBBLE AND--HEY, LOOK!
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IT'S LIKE A DEHYDRATED ACORN! AND IT LOOKS ORGANIC! BEN, THIS PROVES THAT SOME FORM OF LIFE MUST EXIST IN OUTER SPACE!
IT WILL TAKE MONTHS TO LEARN WHERE THIS CAME FROM...
YEAH? WELL COUNT ME OUT! STUDYIN' ROCKS IN A LAB AINT MY IDEA OF HAVIN' A BALL!
SHALL I STORE IT IN THE FREEZER FOR YOU, REED?
CAREFUL, SIS! I'VE GOT A COUPLE OF PIZZA PIES SITTIN' IN THERE!
BUT, IT WILL BE A LONG TIME BEFORE THE BRILLIANT MR. FANTASTIC CAN RETURN TO HIS METEOR STUDY! FOR, AT THAT MOMENT, A NEW INCREDIBLE ADVENTURE BEGINS--IN THE MOST UNEXPECTED WAY!
WHAT'S ALL THAT COMMOTION OUTSIDE, JOHNNY?
I'LL TAKE A LOOK AND... FLAMIN' FIREBALLS! I MUST BE SEEING THINGS!
IT'S SOME SORT OF HUGE GLOBE, FLOATING OVER THE CROWDS! IT'S--IT'S CRACKLING LIKE A LIVING THING!
THE POLICE JUST ARRIVED! THEIR BULLETS DON'T AFFECT IT AT ALL!
SIT TIGHT, LITTLE FRIENDS! I'LL FLY DOWN AND SEE WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT!
WE'D BETTER GET DOWN THERE TOO, BEN!
SURE! SOMEONE'S ALWAYS GOTTA GET JUNIOR OUT OF TROUBLE! LET'S GO!

IT--IT'S WHIRLING SO FAST THAT IT'S THROWN ME INTO ORBIT AROUND IT! I--I CAN'T GET ANY CLOSER!
ONE SIDE, TORCH! I'LL MAKE A GIANT BOX OUT OF MYSELF AND TRY TO CONTAIN THE GLOBE WITHIN... LIKE THIS!
IT'S NO GOOD! THE CRACKLING WHATSIS ISN'T EVEN SOLID! IT'S COMING RIGHT THRU YOU... LIKE AN X-RAY BEAM!
NICE TRY, KIDDIES! BUT HERE'S WHERE WE SEPARATE THE MEN FROM THE BOYS!
LET'S SEE WHAT THAT BUTTERBALL CAN DO AGAINST A FEW TONS OF WATER PRESSURE!
BEN, YOUR LITTLE SHOW OF STRENGTH IS VERY DRAMATIC, BUT NOW WE'LL HAVE TO REPAY THE CITY FOR ONE BROKEN WATER-MAIN!
POINT THAT PIPE THE OTHER WAY, YOU BIG APE, BEFORE YOU DROWN YOURSELF!
GLUPPP
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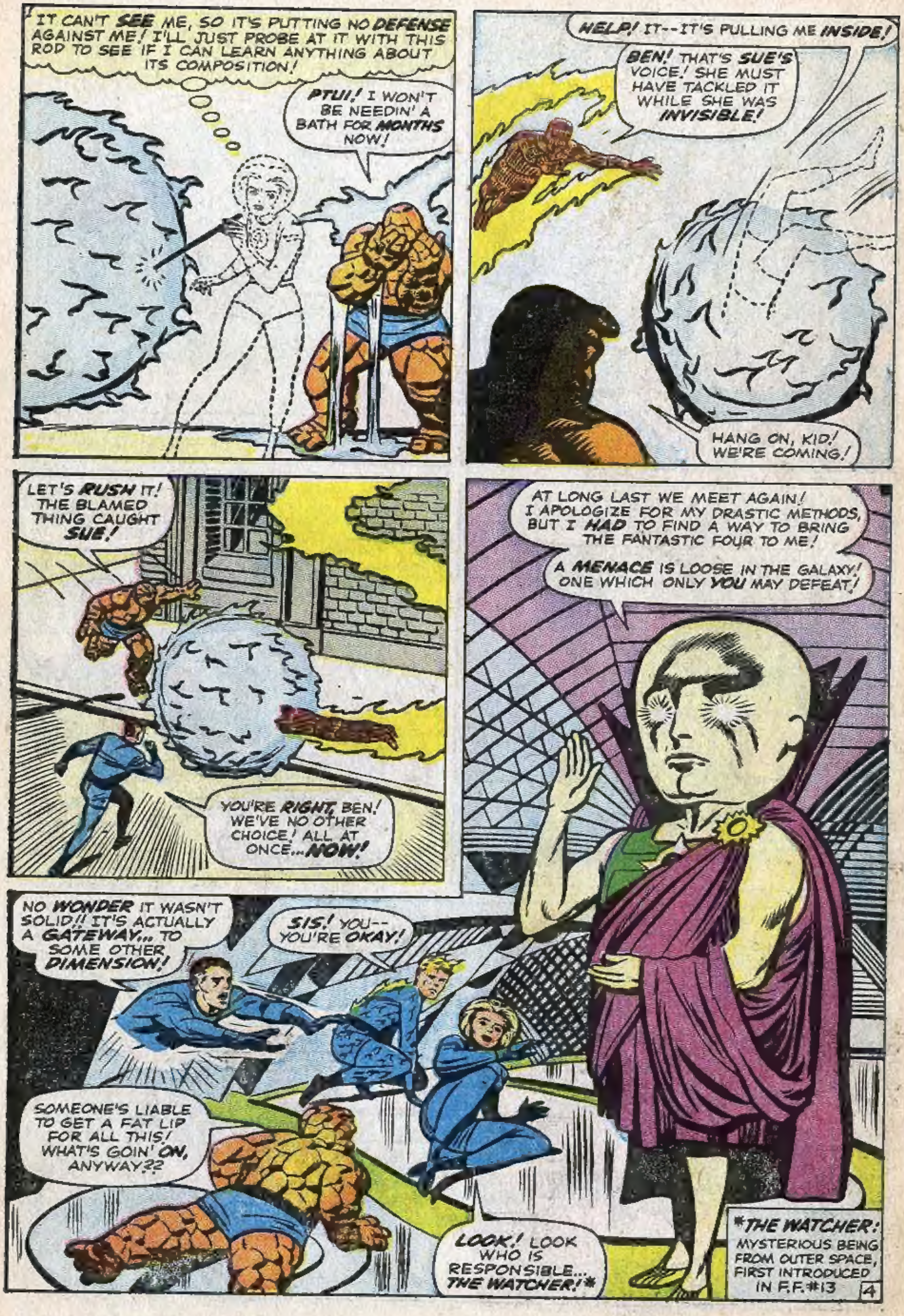
IT CAN'T SEE ME, SO IT'S PUTTING NO DEFENSE AGAINST ME! I'LL JUST PROBE AT IT WITH THIS ROD TO SEE IF I CAN LEARN ANYTHING ABOUT ITS COMPOSITION!
PTUI! I WON'T BE NEEDIN' A BATH FOR MONTHS NOW!
HELP! IT--IT'S PULLING ME INSIDE!
BEN! THAT'S SUE'S VOICE! SHE MUST HAVE TACKLED IT WHILE SHE WAS INVISIBLE!
HANG ON, KID! WE'RE COMING!
LET'S RUSH IT! THE BLAMED THING CAUGHT SUE!
YOU'RE RIGHT, BEN! WE'VE NO OTHER CHOICE! ALL AT ONCE...NOW!
AT LONG LAST WE MEET AGAIN! I APOLOGIZE FOR MY DRASTIC METHODS, BUT I HAD TO FIND A WAY TO BRING THE FANTASTIC FOUR TO ME!
A MENACE IS LOOSE IN THE GALAXY! ONE WHICH ONLY YOU MAY DEFEAT!
NO WONDER IT WASN'T SOLID!! IT'S ACTUALLY A GATEWAY... TO SOME OTHER DIMENSION!
SIS! YOU-- YOU'RE OKAY!
SOMEONE'S LIABLE TO GET A FAT LIP FOR ALL THIS! WHAT'S GOIN' ON, ANYWAY??
LOOK! LOOK WHO IS RESPONSIBLE... THE WATCHER!*
*THE WATCHER: MYSTERIOUS BEING FROM OUTER SPACE, FIRST INTRODUCED IN F.F. #13
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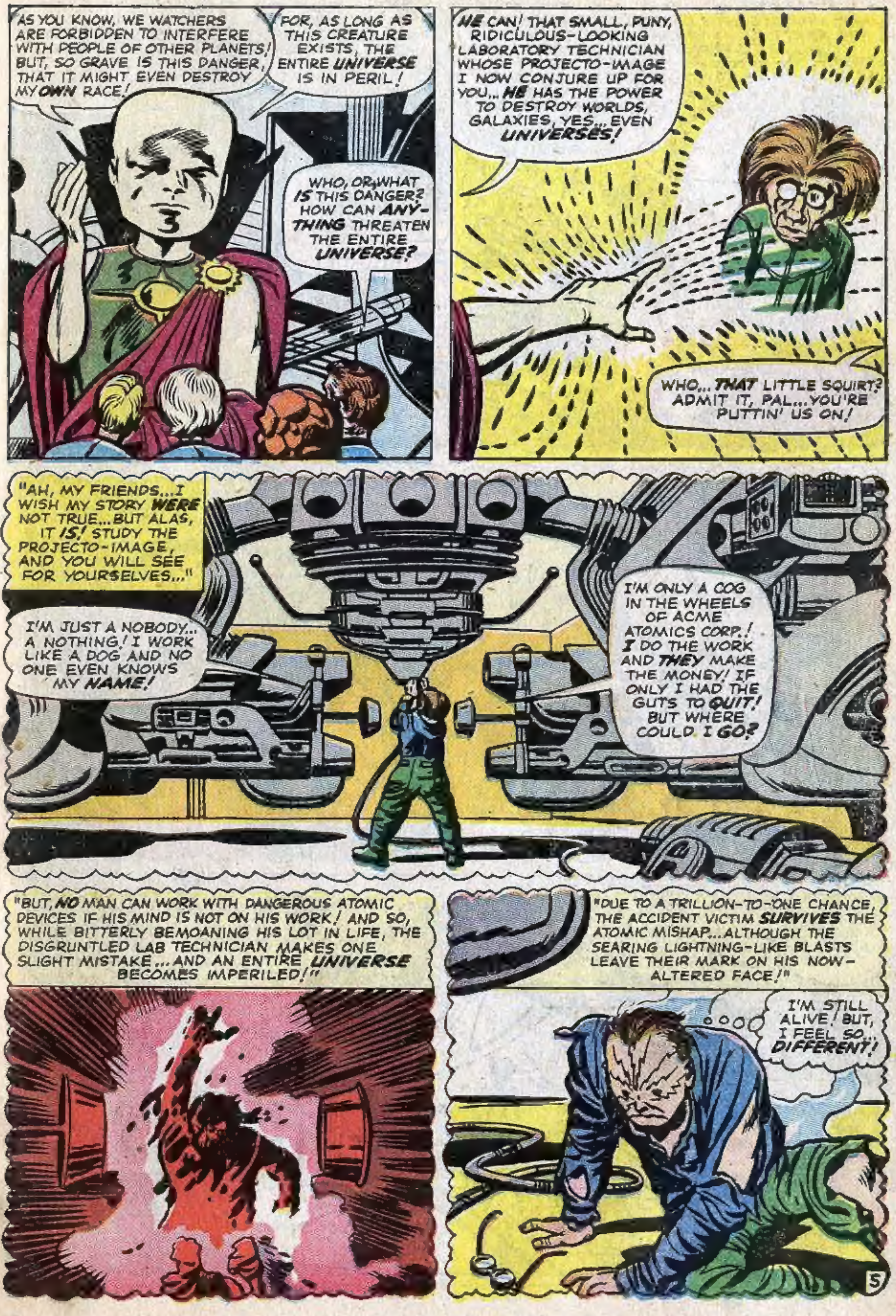

AS YOU KNOW, WE WATCHERS ARE FORBIDDEN TO INTERFERE WITH PEOPLE OF OTHER PLANETS! BUT, SO GRAVE IS THIS DANGER, THAT IT MIGHT EVEN DESTROY MY OWN RACE!
FOR, AS LONG AS THIS CREATURE EXISTS, THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE IS IN PERIL!
WHO, OR WHAT IS THIS DANGER? HOW CAN ANYTHING THREATEN THE ENTIRE UNIVERSE?
HE CAN! THAT SMALL, PUNY, RIDICULOUS-LOOKING LABORATORY TECHNICIAN WHOSE PROJECTO-IMAGE I NOW CONJURE UP FOR YOU... HE HAS THE POWER TO DESTROY WORLDS, GALAXIES, YES... EVEN UNIVERSES!
WHO... THAT LITTLE SQUIRT? ADMIT IT, PAL... YOU'RE PUTTIN' US ON!
"AH, MY FRIENDS... I WISH MY STORY WERE NOT TRUE... BUT ALAS, IT IS! STUDY THE PROJECTO-IMAGE, AND YOU WILL SEE FOR YOURSELVES..."
I'M JUST A NOBODY... A NOTHING! I WORK LIKE A DOG AND NO ONE EVEN KNOWS MY NAME!
I'M ONLY A COG IN THE WHEELS OF ACME ATOMICS CORP.! I DO THE WORK AND THEY MAKE THE MONEY! IF ONLY I HAD THE GUTS TO QUIT! BUT WHERE COULD I GO?
"BUT, NO MAN CAN WORK WITH DANGEROUS ATOMIC DEVICES IF HIS MIND IS NOT ON HIS WORK! AND SO, WHILE BITTERLY BEMOANING HIS LOT IN LIFE, THE DISGRUNTLED LAB TECHNICIAN MAKES ONE SLIGHT MISTAKE... AND AN ENTIRE UNIVERSE BECOMES IMPERILED!"
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I'M STILL ALIVE! BUT, I FEEL SO... DIFFERENT!
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THE BLUE SPHERE FADED AWAY!
LOOK! WE'RE BACK!
SUE! JOHNNY! BEN! LOOK!! OVER THERE--!
OUR HEADQUARTERS BUILDING--IT'S GONE!!
LOOKS LIKE IT WAS SCOOPED OUT OF ITS FOUNDATION BY A GIANT CRANE!
IT ISN'T POSSIBLE! WE MUST BE DREAMING!
EVEN THE YANCY STREETERS COULDN'T HAVE DONE THIS!
FIRST THE WATCHER APPEARS...THEN WE LEARN OF AN ALL-POWERFUL MOLECULE MAN-- AND NOW, AN ENTIRE SKYSCRAPER BUILDING COMPLETELY VANISHES! IT--IT'S ALMOST AS THOUGH THE WHOLE WORLD HAS GONE MAD!
AND HOW COME THE STREET'S SO EMPTY?
YEAH! WHERE IS EVERYBODY?
HERE'S YOUR ANSWER! EVERYONE HAS FLOCKED TO TIMES SQUARE! HERE'S THE ANSWER TO EVERYTHING! LOOK!
I'M LOOKIN'... I'M SEEIN'... BUT I STILL DON'T BELIEVE IT!
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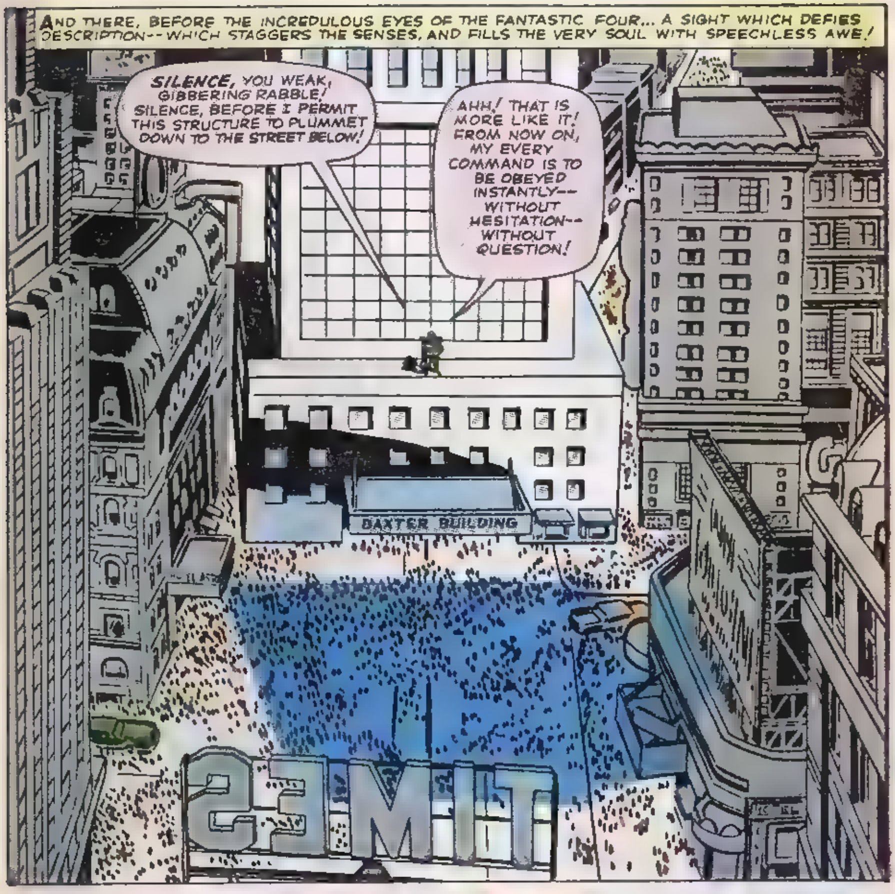
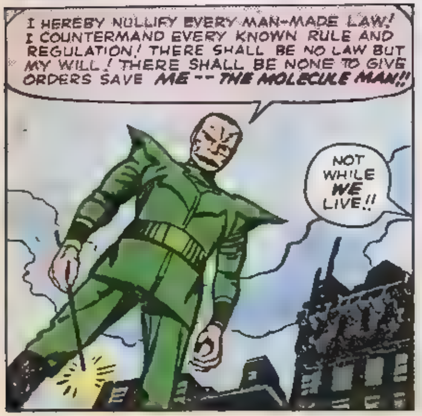

AND THERE, BEFORE THE INCREDULOUS EYES OF THE FANTASTIC FOUR... A SIGHT WHICH DEFIES DESCRIPTION--WHICH STAGGERS THE SENSES, AND FILLS THE VERY SOUL WITH SPEECHLESS AWE!
SILENCE, YOU WEAK, GIBBERING RABBLE! SILENCE, BEFORE I PERMIT THIS STRUCTURE TO PLUMMET DOWN TO THE STREET BELOW!
AHH! THAT IS MORE LIKE IT! FROM NOW ON, MY EVERY COMMAND IS TO BE OBEYED INSTANTLY-- WITHOUT HESITATION-- WITHOUT QUESTION!
BAXTER BUILDING
TIMES


I HEREBY NULLIFY EVERY MAN-MADE LAW! I COUNTERMAND EVERY KNOWN RULE AND REGULATION! THERE SHALL BE NO LAW BUT MY WILL! THERE SHALL BE NONE TO GIVE ORDERS SAVE ME -- THE MOLECULE MAN!!
NOT WHILE WE LIVE!!

WHO DARES--??
WE DARE! THE FANTASTIC FOUR!
FOOL! I HAVE ONLY TO TAP MY MOLECULAR WAND AGAINST THOSE BRICKS.

...IN ORDER TO TRANSFORM THEIR MOLECULES INTO ANY FORM I WISH... AS FOR INSTANCE, A WHIRLING PROPELLER-BLADED FAN!
AH! YOU WERE ABLE TO DISENTANGLE YOURSELF FASTER THAN I EXPECTED! BUT, YOUR ESCAPE SHALL BE EXTREMELY SHORT-LIVED!
ALL I NEED DO IS CAUSE THE MOLECULES OF THE VERY AIR ITSELF TO CHANGE THEIR FORM...
...AND THUS, OUT OF MERE AIR, I CREATE A PAIR OF POWERFUL MAGNETS...
ONE IS POSITIVE, THE OTHER NEGATIVE! EACH WILL ADHERE TO YOUR OWN FLEXIBLE BODY, AND THEN...
...DUE TO THE FACT THAT THEY REPEL EACH OTHER, THEY FLY IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS! AND THUS I ELIMINATE THE MENACE OF MISTER FANTASTIC-- FOREVER!
HANG ON, REED! I'LL GET YOU OUT OF THIS!
TORCH! GET GOIN'! DO SOMETHIN' FAST!
HURRY, JOHNNY! HURRY!
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THERE! LUCKY HE FORGOT TO MAKE HIS MOLECULES FIREPROOF, EH PARTNER?
LUCKY FOR ME, LITTLE FRIEND!
DON'T WORRY, SUSIE GAL! I CAUGHT LOVER-BOY!
THANKS, BEN!
REED! THANK HEAVENS YOU'RE SAFE!
SO! YOU DARED FOIL THE PLAN OF THE MOLECULE MAN, DID YOU?
GET WITH IT, FELLA! YOU SOUND LIKE BELA LUGOSI ON THE LATE SHOW!
YOU DIDN'T REALLY EXPECT TO SUBDUE ME WITH YOUR FLAME, DID YOU? NOT WHEN I CAN MAKE A FIREPROOF SHIELD OUT OF THE MOLECULES IN THE AIR!
MMM... PRETTY TRICKY!
BUT NOW, LET'S SEE WHAT HAPPENS TO THAT SO-CALLED FIREPROOF SHIELD OF YOURS WHEN I SLAM IT WITH A WHITE-HOT NOVA FIREBALL!
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WAIT, MY EYE! NOBODY MAKES A SAP OUTTA ME!
DIDN'T EXPECT ME SO SOON, DID YA?
STILL DEPENDING ON YOUR BRUTE STRENGTH ALONE, EH? WELL, BY USING THE ELECTRIC MOLECULES FROM THAT SIGN, I'LL FINISH YOU FOR GOOD!
THE MAN
NOW SHOWIN
ALSO SHOR
THERE! EVEN YOUR BRUTISH STRENGTH CANNOT RESIST THE STAGGERING POWER OF ELECTRICITY! NOT WHEN EVERY MOLECULE IS DIRECTED AGAINST YOUR UNGAINLY FORM!
YEOWWCH!
SEEKING SHELTER IN THAT MANHOLE WILL DO YOU NO GOOD!
WELL, WELL! LOOK WHO'S WORRIED ABOUT MY WELFARE ALL OF A SUDDEN!
YOU WERE A FOOL TO TAKE COVER DOWN THERE! NOW YOU HAVE REALLY TRAPPED YOURSELF! JUST WATCH...
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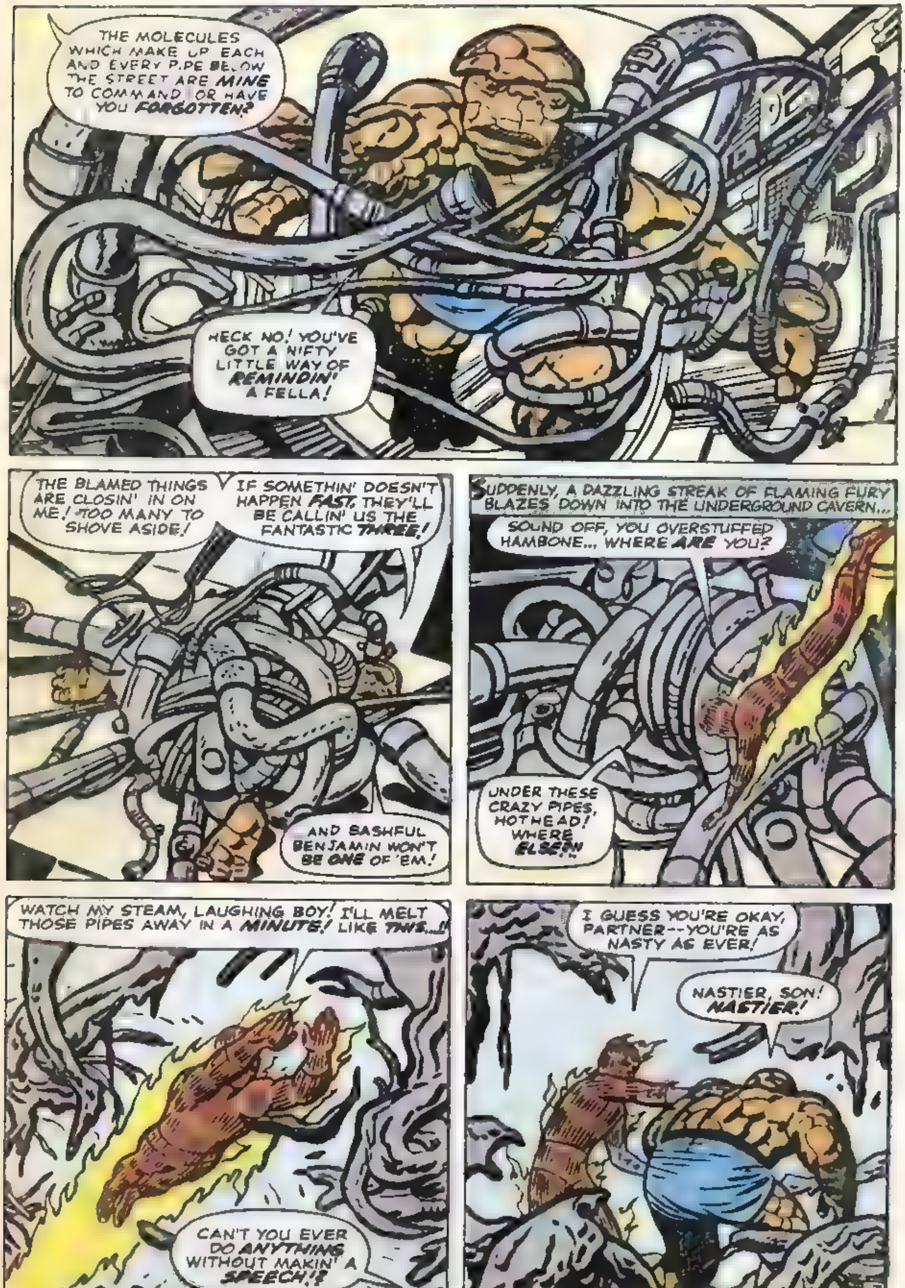
THE MOLECULES WHICH MAKE UP EACH AND EVERY PIPE BELOW THE STREET ARE MINE TO COMMAND! OR HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN?
HECK NO! YOU'VE GOT A NIFTY LITTLE WAY OF REMINDIN' A FELLA!
THE BLAMED THINGS ARE CLOSIN' IN ON ME! TOO MANY TO SHOVE ASIDE!
IF SOMETHIN' DOESN'T HAPPEN FAST, THEY'LL BE CALLIN' US THE FANTASTIC THREE!
AND BASHFUL BENJAMIN WON'T BE ONE OF 'EM!
SUDDENLY, A DAZZLING STREAK OF FLAMING FURY BLAZES DOWN INTO THE UNDERGROUND CAVERN...
SOUND OFF, YOU OVERSTUFFED HAMBONE... WHERE ARE YOU?
UNDER THESE CRAZY PIPES, HOTHEAD! WHERE ELSE?!!
WATCH MY STEAM, LAUGHING BOY! I'LL MELT THOSE PIPES AWAY IN A MINUTE! LIKE THIS...!
CAN'T YOU EVER DO ANYTHING WITHOUT MAKIN' A SPEECH!?
I GUESS YOU'RE OKAY, PARTNER--YOU'RE AS NASTY AS EVER!
NASTIER, SON! NASTIER!
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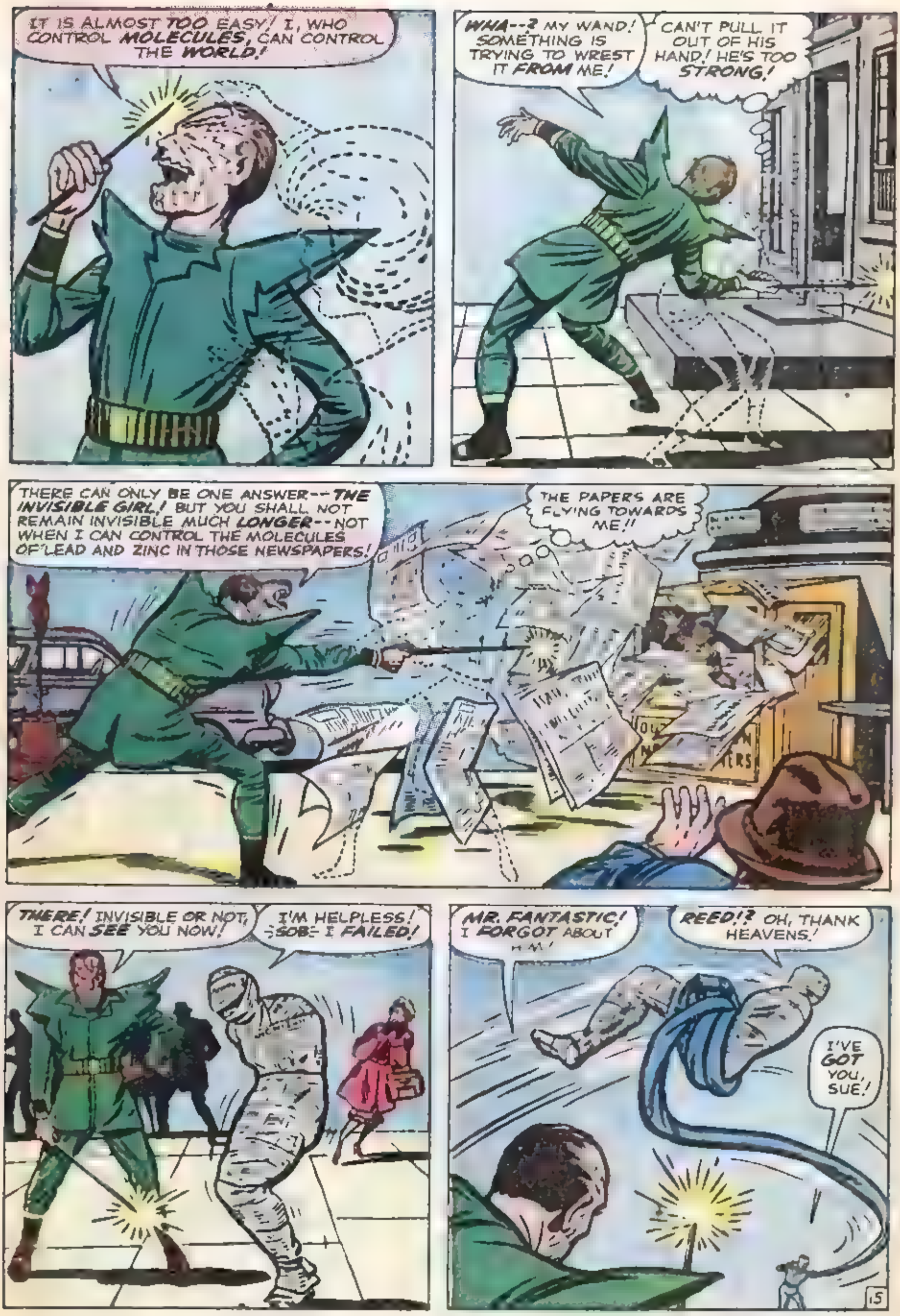
IT IS ALMOST TOO EASY! I, WHO CONTROL MOLECULES, CAN CONTROL THE WORLD!
WHA--? MY WAND! SOMETHING IS TRYING TO WREST IT FROM ME!
CAN'T PULL IT OUT OF HIS HAND! HE'S TOO STRONG!
THERE CAN ONLY BE ONE ANSWER--THE INVISIBLE GIRL! BUT YOU SHALL NOT REMAIN INVISIBLE MUCH LONGER--NOT WHEN I CAN CONTROL THE MOLECULES OF LEAD AND ZINC IN THOSE NEWSPAPERS!
THE PAPERS ARE FLYING TOWARDS ME!!
THERE! INVISIBLE OR NOT, I CAN SEE YOU NOW!
I'M HELPLESS! -SOB- I FAILED!
MR. FANTASTIC! I FORGOT ABOUT HIM!
REED!? OH, THANK HEAVENS!
I'VE GOT YOU, SUE!
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I'LL FENCE HIM IN WITH A WALL OF AURORA FLAME, REED, WHILE YOU THINK UP OUR NEXT MOVE!
NUTS! THAT CLOWN TORE THE COMIC PAGE IN HALF!
NOTHING MORE WE CAN DO NOW! WE'VE GOT TO STALL FOR TIME!
THESE THEATRICAL GESTURES OF YOURS ARE USELESS, TORCH! THERE ARE COUNTLESS WAYS FOR ME TO DISPOSE OF YOUR IN-EFFECTUAL WALL OF FIRE!
I KNOW IT, CHUM! BUT IT'LL STILL TAKE YOU A FEW SECONDS TO THINK OF ONE... AND WE CAN USE THE TIME!
GOOD WORK, JOHNNY! NOW, LET'S GET AWAY FROM THE MOLECULE MAN! WE'VE GOT TO FORMULATE SOME NEW STRATEGY!
HOW ARE WE EVER GOING TO BEAT HIM?
DON'T WORRY, SIS! REED WILL THINK OF SOMETHING... I HOPE!
LOOK! THE FANTASTIC FOUR ARE RUNNING AWAY!
IF THEY CAN'T DEFEAT THE MOLECULE MAN... WHO CAN??
WHAT HAPPENS TO THE CITY NOW?
FANTASTIC FOUR--BAH! JUST A BUNCH OF OVER-RATED QUITTERS!
MEANWHILE, THE MOLECULE MAN SELECTS A MOST DRAMATIC METHOD OF DOUSING THE TORCH'S FLAME-WALL...
BY REARRANGING THE MOLECULES OF THAT ROOF-TOP WATER TOWER, I COMPEL IT TO BEND FORWARD, SPILLING ITS LIQUID CONTENTS! PRESTO! THE FLAMES ARE EXTINGUISHED!
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NOW HEED MY WORDS, CITIZENS OF NEW YORK! I, THE MOLECULE MAN, AM IN COMPLETE COMMAND OF THE CITY! MY FIRST ORDER IS...
HOLD IT, MISTER! THE PICNIC'S OVER! TURN AROUND AND REACH FOR THE SKY! THIS IS THE LAW TALKIN'!
CAREFUL, PETE! NO TELLING WHAT HE'LL DO NEXT!
CAN IT BE THAT YOU STILL DON'T REALIZE HOW POWERLESS MANKIND IS TO STOP ME?? IN ORDER TO ENFORCE YOUR WILL, YOU NEED WEAPONS! BUT, SEE WHAT I CAN DO TO YOUR FIREARMS... WATCH!!
DROP THAT WAND!!
BUT, BEFORE THE POLICE CAN MAKE ANOTHER MOVE, THE MOLECULES WHICH COMPOSE THE AIR ARE INSTANTLY ALTERED, AND...
OUR OWN WEAPONS ARE NOW USELESS TO US!
MEANWHILE, ON A NEARBY SUBWAY TRAIN...
THIS IS A HECK OF A WAY FOR AMERICA'S SWEETHEARTS TO TRAVEL!!
-GASP- L-LOOK WHO IT IS!
MINUTES LATER, AT THE NEXT STATION...
LET'S LOSE OURSELVES ON THE STREET BEFORE A CROWD STARTS FOLLOWING US!
YOU BETTER THINK UP A PLAN SOON! I'M TOO OLD TO BE PLAYIN' FOLLOW-THE-LEADER!
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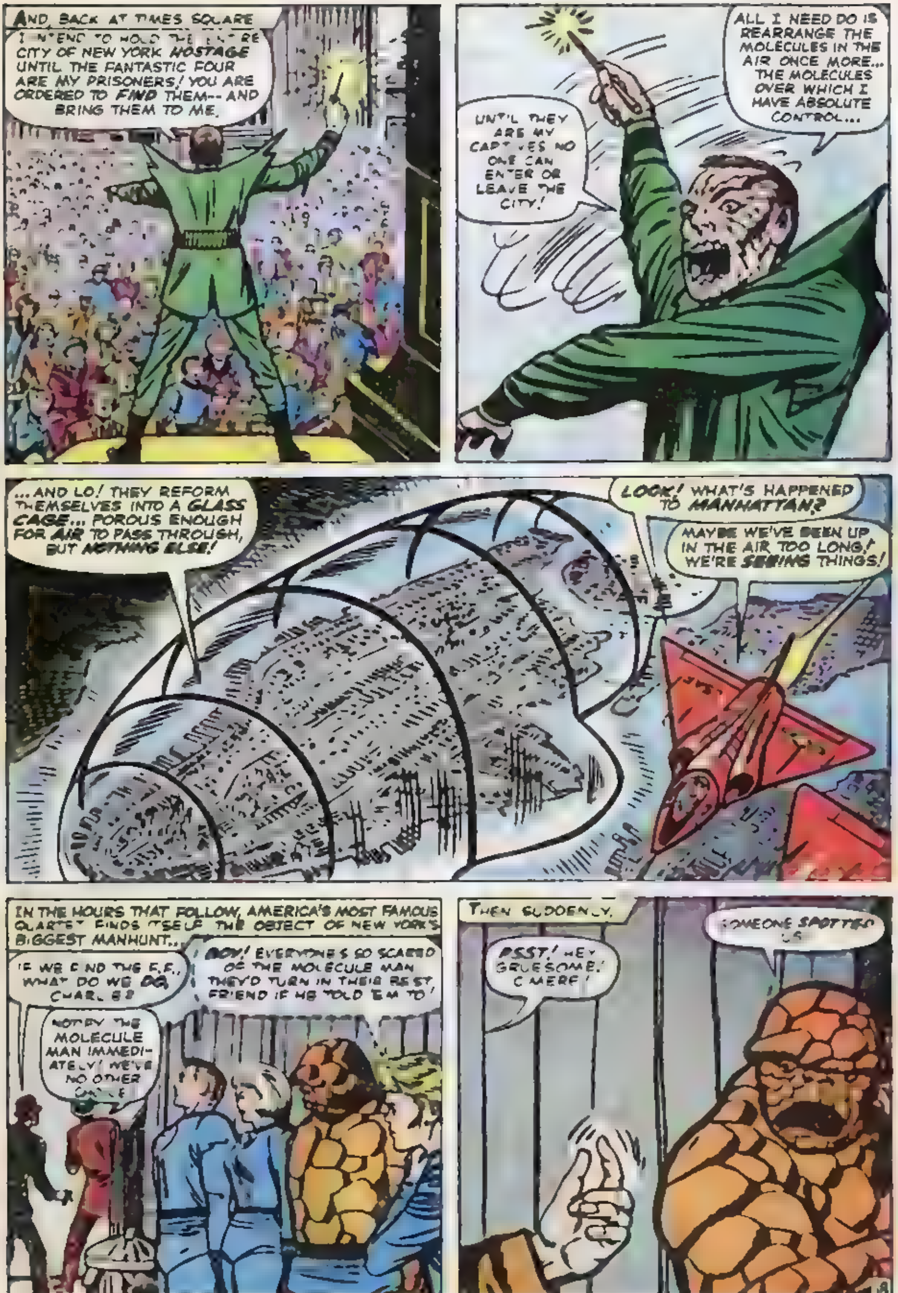
AND, BACK AT TIMES SQUARE
I INTEND TO HOLD THE ENTIRE CITY OF NEW YORK HOSTAGE UNTIL THE FANTASTIC FOUR ARE MY PRISONERS! YOU ARE ORDERED TO FIND THEM-- AND BRING THEM TO ME.
ALL I NEED DO IS REARRANGE THE MOLECULES IN THE AIR ONCE MORE... THE MOLECULES OVER WHICH I HAVE ABSOLUTE CONTROL...
UNTIL THEY ARE MY CAPTIVES NO ONE CAN ENTER OR LEAVE THE CITY!
...AND LO! THEY REFORM THEMSELVES INTO A GLASS CAGE... POROUS ENOUGH FOR AIR TO PASS THROUGH, BUT NOTHING ELSE!
LOOK! WHAT'S HAPPENED TO MANHATTAN?
MAYBE WE'VE BEEN UP IN THE AIR TOO LONG! WE'RE SEEING THINGS!
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IF WE FIND THE F.F., WHAT DO WE DO, CHARLIE?
NOTIFY THE MOLECULE MAN IMMEDIATELY! WE'VE NO OTHER CHOICE
BOY! EVERYONE'S SO SCARED OF THE MOLECULE MAN THEY'D TURN IN THEIR BEST FRIEND IF HE TOLD 'EM TO!
THEN SUDDENLY,
PSST! HEY GRUESOME! C'MERE!
SOMEONE SPOTTED US
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LET HIM EXPLAIN, BABY! I'VE SEEN THAT NUTTY LOOK IN HIS EYES BEFORE! HE'S EITHER GOT A BRILLIANT PLAN, OR HE'S LOST ALL HIS MARBLES!
LATER THAT DAY, AFTER ALICIA HAS COMPLETED HER STRANGE ASSIGNMENT...
THIS WILL BRING THE MOLECULE MAN HERE ON THE DOUBLE!
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SO! THEY DECIDED TO GIVE THEMSELVES UP! IT WAS THE ONLY POSSIBLE OUTCOME!
WITH MY GREAT POWER, I CAN TRAVEL ANY WAY I CHOOSE... SO LONG AS I CAN REARRANGE THE DUST MOLECULES IN THE AIR TO TAKE ANY FORM I DESIRE!
YOU! SPEAK! I SAW THE FANTASTIC FOUR'S FLARE SIGNAL! WHERE ARE THEY?
THEY WILL BE RIGHT BACK! BUT FIRST, I HAVE A TRIBUTE FOR YOU--A STATUE I CREATED!
THE FANTASTIC FOUR! VERY CLEVER OF YOU! IT WILL AMUSE ME TO REARRANGE THE STATUE'S MOLECULES...LIKE THIS!
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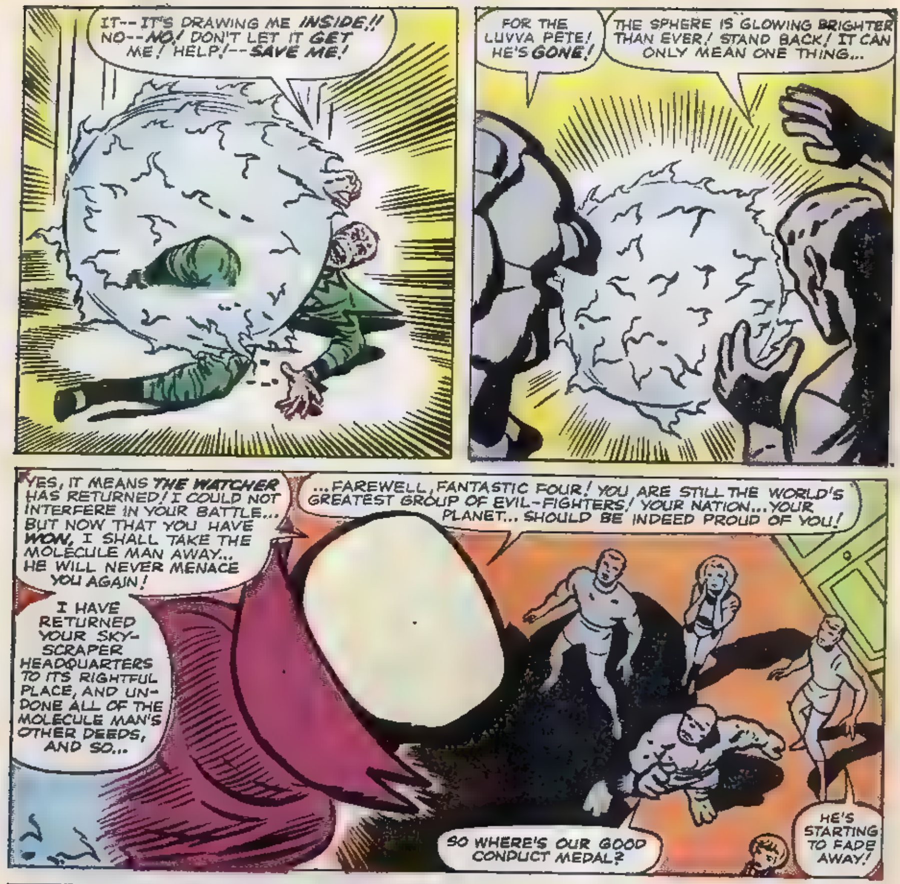
WHAT IS WRONG?? WHY DO THE STONE MOLECULES NOT OBEY MY MENTAL COMMANDS??
FOR A VERY GOOD REASON...
--BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT STONE MOLECULES! THEY ARE ORGANIC... ALIVE! ALICIA MERELY COVERED US WITH A THIN COATING OF PLASTER TO TRICK YOU-- AND IT WORKED!
NO!! NO!!
YOU WERE RIGHT, REED! IF HE USES HIS POWER ON ORGANIC MOLECULES, THE FORCE FEEDBACK IS TOO PAINFUL FOR HIM TO ENDURE!
SO! YOU FOUND MY WEAKNESS! WELL, IT WILL DO YOU NO GOOD! I SHALL TOY WITH YOU NO LONGER NOW!!
FROM THIS MOMENT ON, EXPECT NO PITY FROM THE MOLECULE MAN!
I CAN STILL REACH MY POWER WAND BEFORE ANYTHING CAN STOP ME!
YOU OVER-RATE YOURSELF! YOU'VE FORGOTTEN MY STRETCHING ABILITY!
OKAY, TEAM! LET'S GO!
NOW YOU'RE TALKIN', FELLA!
IT'S A PLEASURE TO BUST OUT OF THAT PHONY PLASTER COVERING!
I--I MISSED IT!
BEHIND ME--!! WHAT IS THAT CRACKLING? THAT AURA?
LOOK! IT'S THE GLOWING SPHERE AGAIN! FLOATING TOWARD THE MOLECULE MAN!


IT-- IT'S DRAWING ME INSIDE!! NO--NO! DON'T LET IT GET ME! HELP!--SAVE ME!
FOR THE LUVVA PETE! HE'S GONE!
THE SPHERE IS GLOWING BRIGHTER THAN EVER! STAND BACK! IT CAN ONLY MEAN ONE THING...
YES, IT MEANS THE WATCHER HAS RETURNED! I COULD NOT INTERFERE IN YOUR BATTLE... BUT NOW THAT YOU HAVE WON, I SHALL TAKE THE MOLECULE MAN AWAY... HE WILL NEVER MENACE YOU AGAIN!
I HAVE RETURNED YOUR SKY-SCRAPER HEADQUARTERS TO ITS RIGHTFUL PLACE, AND UN-DONE ALL OF THE MOLECULE MAN'S OTHER DEEDS, AND SO...
...FAREWELL, FANTASTIC FOUR! YOU ARE STILL THE WORLD'S GREATEST GROUP OF EVIL-FIGHTERS! YOUR NATION... YOUR PLANET... SHOULD BE INDEED PROUD OF YOU!
SO WHERE'S OUR GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL?
HE'S STARTING TO FADE AWAY!
HE'S GONE! HE'S TAKEN THE MOLECULE MAN WITH HIM... BUT... TO WHERE?
WHEREVER IT IS, SUE, LET'S HOPE HIS EVIL PRISONER NEVER ESCAPES HIM!
HEY, WOULDN'T THAT BE A GREAT WAY TO DODGE BILL COLLECTORS?!!
AND, FINALLY...
THE WORLD IS SAFE FROM THE MOLECULE MAN AT LAST! AND ALL THAT REMAINS TO REMIND US OF HIM IS THIS NOW-HARMLESS LITTLE WAND!
IF ONLY WE HAD BEEN GIVEN HIS POWER! WHAT WONDERFUL THINGS WE COULD DO FOR MANKIND!
NUTS! I DON'T SEE MANKIND KNOCKING ITSELF OUT FOR US!
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THE END

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FANTASTIC FAN PAGE 4

Dear Stan and Jack,

Reading your mags is a family affair around our house. My oldest brother reads SGT. FURY and SPIDER-MAN. I read the F.F., THOR, ANT-MAN, and SPIDER-MAN. My sister reads PATSY AND HEDY, KATHY, and MILLIE THE MODEL. We all read the F.F. Now that you have so many new heroes, I read nothing but MARVEL COMICS. They provide excellent entertainment for the young as well as the old. I'm going to buy both your F.F. ANNUAL and STRANGE TALES ANNUAL. I love all your characters. The F.F. is the best magazine ever published!

James Maupin
R.R. 1 Box 19
Henry, Illinois

Many thanks, Jimmy. But, if you like something, don't be so shy—TELL us!

Dear Stan and Jack,

TALES TO ASTONISH #45 was pretty good! Say, why not let Henry Pym and Janet Van Dyne marry? They're obviously in love, and since they are going to work as a team, I see no reason whatsoever that could keep them from marriage. Please give this some serious thought.

Anonymous
Athens, Texas

For some reason, there was no name signed to this letter. Maybe it was written by Pym himself, the sneak!

Dear Stan and Jack,

ZZOOWWEEYY!! Dr. Doom is the best character you have! But do me a favor—don't let the F.F. catch him. If you've already let them catch him, then let him get away in a future issue. I'm going to take a rough guess—I believe Dr. Doom wears an iron mask. You said he wasn't a robot, yet he has square metal eyes which are grey, a grey, square chin, a steel grey triangular nose, and his whole face is loaded with screws. Then you said that you'd write a long story about it and it doesn't take a long, meaty story to tell about an iron mask. I noticed the first picture on page 22. It was beautiful! In other words you forgot to put the lines in to show where the Invisible Girl was. I like it that way, mainly because it looks more realistic. I mean, you wouldn't walk around with a bunch of dotted lines in real life would you?? But, getting back to the comic itself, I think it is the best comic you've ever put out!

Wayne Shepard
25 Bellmore Drive
Pittsfield, Mass

WHO wouldn't walk around in a bunch of dotted lines?? You should SEE us, Wayne!

Dear Stan and Jack,

As an avid reader of your magazine, I think it's my duty to point out that the title of FANTASTIC FOUR #10 was "The Return of Dr. Doom!" I have no complaints about that *but* the title of F.F. #16 was also "The Return of Dr. Doom!" Now, what gives? If Stan Lee and Jack Kirby can think up 16 original stories for a comic, why can't they dream up an itsy-bitsy different title? In closing, I can't wait for the next issue, but PLEASE don't call it "The Return of Dr. Doom!"

Richard Cohen
722 E. 102nd St.
Brooklyn 36, N. Y.

How about if we call it "The COMEBACK of Dr. Doom"?

Dear Stan and Jack,

We are some of the many groups of fans who have a Fantastic Four Fan Club. Each of our members has an F.F. shirt which we made ourselves, and every member of the club is waiting for the FF Annual. We also think that you should keep your pin-up pages because they're perfect for decorating our clubhouse. We just had a poll on the comics and heroes in the F.F. and here's the result: Favorite Cover: "The Return of Dr. Doom"; Favorite Story: "The Mad Thinker and His Awesome Android"; Best Villain: Dr. Doom; Best Pin-up: Picture of the Fantastic Four, Best Member: Human Torch. I suppose that after this there'll be more F.F. polls so we're glad we started it.

Fantastic Four Fan Club
c/o Mark Gruenwald, secretary
605 North Sawyer
Oshkosh, Wisconsin

We hear that some of the Fantastic Four fan clubs are getting so exclusive that even the F.F. have trouble getting in! We want to thank all you fan club members all over the world for your terrific letters and enthusiasm. We genuinely appreciate it.

Dear Stan and Jack,

Most fans write and tell you how great your comic mag is. Well, I agree with all of them, but I would like to tell you how I started reading the F.F. comic mag. It all began when my friend was going to the store to get a magazine. I scraped up 12¢ and went with him. I figured I might as well 'goof off' while I read a comic book. I looked at them all, and I saw this new one. (It was #2—I missed #1) I thought it was one of the prank comics . . . a man that can stretch himself, a kid that can imitate a barn fire, a strong lumpy gorilla, and a girl whose vanishing cream really works!! Well, it was love at first sight, even though my hair wasn't combed. I have every F.F. comic mag except #1, and I love them all!

Dana Riell
2814 W. 8th St.
Brooklyn 24, N. Y.

Like we always say, Dana. The public's taste seems to be improving each day! On behalf of the merry Marvel Group—we thank you!

Dear Stan and Jack,

The costumes of the F.F. and their enemies have changed since they first appeared. I think they looked better the way they were at first. For instance, the F.F. looked better with thick collars and belts, and the belts would look better with blue buckles. As for villains, Dr. Doom wore a cape in his second adventures. Why? I think he looked better without one. I also think Sub-Mariner looked better in red trunks. A great flaw in your mag is the way the Torch is always flaming on, especially in F.F. #4 and #12. And, he ought to have a girlfriend. He's getting about that age. As for Alicia, Reed should restore her sight in some highly scientific way. As Dr. Doom said, "It has been inevitable and long delayed." Sue Storm should keep her old hair style. She just isn't herself without it. Despite my few objections, I am a devoted fan of your mag. If not for the F.F., I would give up comics completely.

Karl Spence
9763 Westview St.
Houston, Texas

Hmmmm. Wonder what you write to mags that you DON'T like, Karl?

CONTINUED...

Dear Stan and Jack,

F.F. #17 "In The Clutches of Doc Doom" was, in my opinion, one of Lee's masterpieces. The idea of having Ben (Thing) Grimm single-handedly invade Doc Doom's spaceship was a stroke of genius. Having the Thing turn back into Ben Grimm is good, but you shouldn't play it up every other issue. As a title "In The Clutches of Doctor Doom" . . . or is it "Defeated by Doctor Doom" . . . was unoriginal and gave a distasteful effect to your story. I should think that your staff of exceptional writers would be able to come up with a more appropriate title than that. I especially like the way that you had the FF trapped in Doom's ship. Each had to rely on his own special power to escape. You should have more of this in future stories. As for the good-old-doctor, he escaped safe-and-sound . . . (as if we hadn't suspected!) Another of the fine points in your mag was the SGT. FURY advertisement. These ads brighten up the book and you should have more of them—instead of pin-ups and information pages.

John Furek
1436 First Avenue
Berwick, Pa.

And yet, we've received a few letters from readers who DON'T like the ads! So what do you say, fans? Continue the ads, — or pin-up pages?

Dear Stan and Jack,

How come we are supposed to write to "Dear Stan and Jack" instead of "Dear Jack and Stan"???

Don Keefer
4146 Allott Ave.
Sherman Oaks, Calif.

Because it's Stan's typewriter and so HE makes the rules—you troublemaker!

Dear Stan and Jack,

I have just read F.F. #13 . . . it is nuts! I do wish you would not include politics. The cover was misleading with the gigantic transparent hand and was cheapened by the notices plastered over it. I have always bought F.F., but I only bought #13 for the sake of something to read. One other thing,—please, when you dispose of a villain, leave him there. After Dr. Doom escaped three times, he has made your heroes look like novices. I think all your issues are marvellous, especially SPIDER-MAN.

Kevin Shields
364 Green Lanes
London, N-4, England

You only bought it for something to READ? What do you think the REST of us buy them for—paper dolls? Anyway, tally-ho to our British cousin!

Dear Stan and Jack,

F.F. #17 was greater than great. Even now I sit in awe of it, trying to do the impossible—that is, describe it. It was absolutely stupendous, the ultimate, utmost! I cannot fathom how you could fit so much action into so few pages. It will live forever as one of the greatest F.F. comics ever printed, ergo, as one of the greatest of ALL comics. In what other comic mag could you see things like a hero falling down a manhole, a heroine mistaking a toy inventor for a criminal, and the President of the U.S.A. leaving a conference that may determine the fate of the world to put his daughter to bed. The epic story, spectacular and exciting as it is, is not all that made this mag so great. The letter column was top-notch, too. I nearly died when I saw Paul Gambaccini's letter. You've really made him change his tune; that letter was a far cry from the one printed in F.F. #9. Then there's your cover boast—THE WORLD'S GREATEST COMIC MAGAZINE! Brilliant! You were just about the World's worst mag when you started, but you set yourself an ideal, and, by gumbo, you achieved it! More than achieved it, in fact—why, if you were only half as good as you are now, you'd still be the world's best mag!!!

George R. Martin
35 East First St.
Bayonne, N. J.

We might as well quit while we're ahead. Thanks for your kind words, George, and now—it's time for our favorite department—where we talk to you straight from the shoulder———

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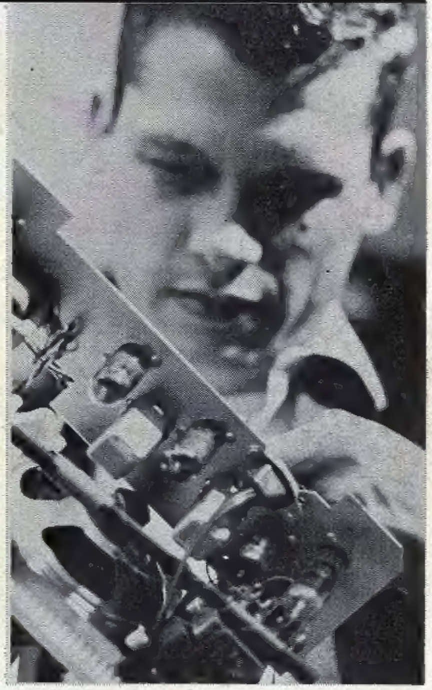

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